

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please add the following heading before the paragraph beginning on line 4 of page 1:

**Background**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The invention relates to an apparatus for driving moveable separating elements, in particular separating elements which can be rotated, as well as to a drive assembly which is provided with an apparatus such as this, and to a separating element, as claimed in the precharacterizing clauses of patent claims 1, 15 and 16, respectively. elements.

Please add the following heading before the paragraph beginning on line 32 of page 3:

**Summary**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This object is achieved by a drive apparatus, by a drive assembly and by a separating element which have the features specified in claims 1, 15 and 16, respectively. element.

Advantageous refinements of the invention are specified in further claims. also provided.

Please add the following heading before the paragraph beginning on line 34 of page 7:

**Brief Description of the Drawings**

Please add the following heading before the paragraph beginning on line 36 of page 8:

**Detailed Description of the Embodiments**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In the preferred refinement which is shown in Figure 2, an electric motor 18 is inserted into the first drive assembly 10a, in whose motor housing 180 a transmission 19 is integrated, by means of which the torque transmitted to a drive ~~wheel 24~~wheel 25 is set as required. The drive ~~wheel 24~~wheel 25 in this case engages, as is shown in Figure 6, in a toothed belt 24 which is provided within the guide rail 1.

Please cancel the paragraph at page 15, line 16-page 17, line 17.